PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
IRISH PARLIAMENT in DUBLIN.

With a later Account of the happy Succeſs of the *Proteſtants* of *London-Derry*, againſt the *French* and *Iriſh-Papiſts* in *Ireland*.

Licenſed according to Order, *May* the 24.

THere being ſo Few, and thoſe ſo very Difficult Opportunities of hearing from *Ireland*, eſpecially from *Dublin*; it cannot be expected but thoſe Relations we receive here for News, ſhould be there almoſt Antiquated, and by the conſtant ſucceſſion of freſh Accidents, quite out of Date, and though every now and then we have one or other diſtreſſed Fugitive put in here, yet their long abſconding in order to get off, has render'd moſt of them incapable of giving any great Account of the *French* and *Iriſh* Tranſactions there: The laſt conſiderable Advice we have, is concerning their *Parliament*, which by the *French Miniſter's* Imperious Influence is ſo heated and diſturbed, that they already begin to make Parties, and enter into Cabals: Some are for quite aboliſhing and reſcinding the *Old Act of Settlement*: Others are for a New One, and confirming the Forfeitures of the *Engliſh Rebels* (as they call them:) Some are for the total Extirpation of the remaining *Proteſtants*: Others for Confiſcating and Depriving them of what little they have left. But in fine, its ſaid, they have all agreed in the Baniſhment of them from the City, by which it is plain, that they Deſign nothing leſs than their Total Deſtruction: For beſides the Miſeries of Want, which they muſt certainly undergo, they are hereby unavoidably expos'd to the cruel Barbarities of their *Rabble-Army*, who lye and take all Places for Twenty Miles about *Dublin*.

As for that part of it which Beſieges *Derry*, they begin to gnaw their Fingers with the Apprehenſion of the unexpected Dangers and Difficulties they have met with before it; for as that Sally wherein *Maman* the *French General*, with ſeveral other Perſons of great Note among them, beſides many Hundreds of Souldiers were kill'd, they have ſince by continual Skirmiſhes and Sallies, ſo diſheartned them, that the *Iriſh* do many of them daily deſert, and the *French* declare they do not like this way of Beſieging Towns: As the Aſſailants are dejected, ſo the Joy, Courage, and Bravery of the Defendants is unſpeakable, their Reverend Champion and Leader, both by Precept and Example, encouraging them, and like another *Moſes*, leading them forth to fight *the Lord's Battels*, and like him, *always returning with Succeſs*; the People and Souldiers ſeldom going to Meat till they have whetted their Appetites on their Enemies. They ſay, That in one late Sally the Lord *German's* Son was killed, a zealous *Papiſt*, and violent Proſecutor of the *Proteſtants*; the *Engliſh* in the Town are ſo uſed to Sally out and Beat them, that they now make it their Sport, and have made the Enemy ſo to contract their Camp, and remove further their Trenches, that they ſeem to have only the Name of a Siege.

The late King is mighty Apprehenſive of theſe Proceedings, and ſends them all the Offers imaginable, which they bravely refuſe to accept, returning their final Reſolutions, not only to Defend the Place, but upon the firſt Arrival of their daily expected Succours, to take the Field againſt the beſieging Army: And we are ſince credibly Informed, that the *Proteſtants* lately made a Vigorous and almoſt general Sally, wherein they fail'd little of making an entire Victory; That they had ſlain a great number of their Men, and among the reſt, ſeveral of eminent Note; that two or three of the greateſt *French Officers* fell in this Encounter, beſide ſome dead of their Wounds ſince the firſt great Sally; and that they had taken a very conſiderable Booty of Horſes, Arms, Ammunition, and Proviſion. Major-General *Kirk* Sail'd from *Liverpool* with three Regiments the latter end of laſt Week, and it's ſaid, is certainly Arriv'd, and that the Enemy thereupon reſolv'd to raiſe their Siege, quite deſpairing of doing any good; the other Regiments deſign'd for that Service, have poſitive Orders to Sail with expedition, ſo that in a little time we doubt not to be able to take the Field, and force thoſe Rebellious Subjects to their juſt Obedience.

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